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**"AN ACT CONCERNING AN ENHANCED 9-1-1 SERVICE
DATABASE."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (b) of section 7-323p of the 2008 supplement to
4 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

6 (b) The commission may establish and maintain a state fire school
7 training and education extension account, which shall be a separate
8 account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any
9 moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The account
10 may be used for the operation of such training and education
11 extension programs and sessions as the Office of State Fire
12 Administration may establish, for the purchase of such equipment as is
13 required for use in the operation and administration of such programs
14 and sessions, and [for (1) reimbursement to municipalities and
15 municipal fire departments for one-half of] within available resources,

16 to fund the costs of Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Recruit Firefighter, Fire
17 Service Instructor I and Fire Officer I certification and [recruit] training
18 of municipal volunteer and paid fire service personnel [, and (2)
19 reimbursement to state agencies for one-half of the costs of Firefighter I
20 certification and recruit training of] and state agency fire service
21 personnel. All proceeds derived from the operation of the training and
22 education extension programs and sessions shall be deposited in the
23 General Fund and shall be credited to and become a part of the
24 resources of the account. All direct expenses incurred in the conduct of
25 the training, certification and education programs and sessions shall be
26 charged, and any payments of interest and principal of bonds or any
27 sums transferable to any fund for the payment of interest and principal
28 of bonds and any cost of equipment for such operations may be
29 charged, against the account on order of the State Comptroller. Any
30 balance of receipts above expenditures shall remain in the account to
31 be used for its training and education programs and sessions, and for
32 the acquisition, as provided by section 4b-21 of the 2008 supplement to
33 the general statutes, alteration and repairs of real property for
34 educational facilities, except such sums as may be required to be
35 transferred from time to time to any fund for the redemption of bonds
36 and payment of interest on bonds, provided repairs, alterations or
37 additions to educational facilities costing fifty thousand dollars or less
38 shall require the approval of the Commissioner of Public Works, and
39 capital projects costing over fifty thousand dollars shall require the
40 approval of the General Assembly or, when the General Assembly is
41 not in session, of the Finance Advisory Committee.

42 Sec. 502. Section 10-29a of the 2008 supplement to the general
43 statutes is amended by adding subdivision (53) as follows (*Effective*
44 *July 1, 2008*):

45 (NEW) (53) The Governor shall proclaim the month of September of
46 each year to be Public Safety Awareness Month to heighten public
47 awareness of public safety issues. Suitable exercises shall be held in the
48 State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the
49 observance of the month, and all Connecticut State Police district

50 headquarters and troop barracks shall fly the flag that represents the
51 National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington D.C. in
52 front of such headquarters or barracks for each day of said month.

53 Sec. 503. Subsection (a) of section 28-24 of the general statutes is
54 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
55 *passage*):

56 (a) There is established an Office of State-Wide Emergency
57 Telecommunications which shall be in the Division of Fire, Emergency
58 and Building Services within the Department of Public Safety. The
59 Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications shall be
60 responsible for developing and maintaining a state-wide emergency
61 service telecommunications policy. In connection with said policy the
62 office shall:

63 (1) Develop a state-wide emergency service telecommunications
64 plan specifying emergency police, fire and medical service
65 telecommunications systems needed to provide coordinated
66 emergency service telecommunications to all state residents, including
67 the physically disabled;

68 (2) Pursuant to the recommendations of the task force established by
69 public act 95-318 to study enhanced 9-1-1 telecommunications services,
70 and in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commissioner of
71 Public Safety pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, develop and
72 administer, by July 1, 1997, an enhanced emergency 9-1-1 program,
73 which shall provide for: (A) The replacement of existing 9-1-1 terminal
74 equipment for each public safety answering point; (B) the
75 subsidization of regional public safety emergency telecommunications
76 centers, with enhanced subsidization for municipalities with a
77 population in excess of forty thousand; (C) the establishment of a
78 transition grant program to encourage regionalization of public safety
79 telecommunications centers; [and] (D) the establishment of a regional
80 emergency telecommunications service credit in order to support
81 regional dispatch services; and (E) until July 1, 2011, funding to be

82 distributed in accordance with this subdivision to any public safety
83 answering point that has an Insurance Service Office rating of Class 1
84 and uses a secondary answering point without the reduction in
85 funding required by the regulations adopted in accordance with
86 subsection (b) of this section, in order to permit any such public safety
87 answering point to consolidate its communication centers;

88 (3) Provide technical telecommunications assistance to state and
89 local police, fire and emergency medical service agencies;

90 (4) Provide frequency coordination for such agencies;

91 (5) Coordinate and assist in state-wide planning for 9-1-1 and E 9-1-
92 1 systems;

93 (6) Review and make recommendations concerning proposed
94 legislation affecting emergency service telecommunications; and

95 (7) Review and make recommendations to the General Assembly
96 concerning emergency service telecommunications funding."